

DELITE THEATER
—TODAY—
"SMOKED OUT"
Leo Maloney, in a Western Drama
"OREGON TRAIL"
"Winter Has Come"
Christie Comedy
THURSDAY
"The End of the Rope," a Sensational Western Feature, and a Good Comedy

STAR THEATER
—TODAY—
"QUICKSANDS"
A Great Melodrama, With an All-Star Cast
"My Mistake"—Comedy
THURSDAY
Richard Talmadge, in
"THE CUB REPORTER"
and "When Winter Comes"
Christie Comedy

GIANTS COP OPENER IN WORLD TITLE CONTEST

Home Of Prohibition Officer Is Wrecked By Blast

FAMILY ESCAPES; LEGGERS BLAMED

City Hall and Several Residences Also Are Damaged
\$20,000 DAMAGE IS BELIEVED DONE

Workmen Report They Saw Men Speeding Away in Cars

(Associated Press)
STUEBENVILLE, Ohio, Oct. 10.—The home of Charles Pearce, 36, prohibition officer at Smithfield, Ohio, was blown up today by dynamite. Pearce, his wife and baby escaped serious injury.
The blast, which wrecked the city hall, opposite the Pearce home, the Sprague restaurant, the home of Mrs. Mary Maryman, and broke windows in three score residents.
The dynamite, placed under the front of Pearce's house, wrecked the structure and it collapsed inward. The walls and roof fell into the basement. Pearce, his wife and 17 months old baby, were thrown into the cellar with the debris.
Pearce extricated himself, rescued his baby and then, with the aid of neighbors, dug his wife from the ruins after an hour of hard work. The baby was cut and bruised. Mrs. Pearce's back was injured and she suffered greatly from shock.
Mrs. Maryman's home, adjoining the Pearce home, was so badly wrecked that the aged lady, who had been seriously ill, was removed from the tottering structure with ladders to the second floor.
The damage caused by the explosion is estimated in excess of \$20,000.
Miners, enroute to work, claimed to have seen four strangers standing on a corner near the Pearce home and others report that they saw an automobile with several male passengers leaving the town at a high rate of speed shortly before the blast.
Sheriff Ed Lucas and deputies of Jefferson County are working on the theory that liquor violators, prosecuted by Pearce, were responsible for the outrage and, according to latest reports, are seeking suspects at Tiney Fork, a mining town near Smithfield.
Pearce claims he has received no threatening letters, but has been openly threatened by bootleggers arrested recently.

MOORE'S FAMOUS STORY IS FILMED

John Trotwood Moore's great story "The Bishop of Cotton Town," the screen version, is being "shot" at Franklin, Columbia and in Middle Tennessee, the scene in which the story is laid. Vincent McDermott, assistant director of the Metro corporation and Allen Holubar, director are in Tennessee direct from Hollywood, California, and are directing the filming. "The Battle of Franklin, and other stirring scenes are being filmed at the 'Dimple of the Universe.' The people of this nation, especially those of Alabama and Tennessee are especially looking forward to the presentation in picture of one of the most beautiful stories, written by a southern author. Mr. Moore was born at Marion, Ala., and has many friends and admirers in this state.

Banks to Observe "Fraternal Day"

For the second time in the history of local banks "Fraternal Day" October 11 is to be observed as a legal holiday, following the change of the mid-October bank holiday from October 12 to October 11, by the state legislature. It has been the custom all the years to observe "Columbus Day" October 12 as a legal holiday among the banks. In the nearby states such as Florida and Louisiana, Oct. 12 will be a legal holiday. In the Jacksonville branch of the Federal Reserve bank of Atlanta, October 12 is called Farmers Day, while in Louisiana the same date is termed "Columbus Day." On October 11 and 12, the parent reserve bank at Atlanta and the Nashville branch will be opened for business.

KIWANIS TO MEET

The Morgan Kiwanis club will hold its luncheon meeting this week, on Thursday evening at the Lyons Hotel. The meal will be served promptly at 6:30 o'clock. Secretary Rankin requests prompt attendance by all members and their guests.

MOOREHAVEN BUSY IN WATER BATTLE

Volunteers Are Aided By State Officers During the Day
EFFORT MADE TO PLUG THE GAP

Hole in Dyke Pouring Stream of Water Through City

(Associated Press)
MOOREHAVEN, Fla., Oct. 10.—Moorehaven today remained inundated while the state and government were rushing dredges here to help the volunteer army of citizens plug the big gap in the dykes surrounding the town which yesterday failed to stand the onslaughts of swirling waters from Lake Okeechobee.
A sudden lull in the wind during the night saved the town and today although gale warnings have been posted on the west coast of Florida the wind has not resumed a gale velocity.
A steady stream of rural residents from the lowlands were arriving here today, making their entrance into the city on the banks of a canal as all roads and bridges have been reported washed away. They brought with them their live stock. It was reported that crops and live stock losses would be exceedingly heavy.
All high buildings in the city were reported filled with refugees from the lowlands of the district. It was further reported that the entire section was under water.
Water was reported three feet deep. There was a stiff breeze from off the lake and a stream of water was passing through the city into the countryside. Stores and residences have been damaged by the flood.

RESUMPTION NOW RAPID IN THE RUHR

(Associated Press)
BRUSSELS, Oct. 9.—Belgium official circles are optimistic over the situation in the Ruhr. Advice reaching the government show the resumption of work on a daily increased scale. The Belgium officials in the valley declared that 170,000 workmen and other railroad employees in the occupied territories are ready to go back to their jobs as soon as assurances are given that the Berlin government will guarantee the payment of their wages and authorize them to take the oath of "professional allegiance" to the French Belgium railroad management.

"WHO IS WHO" IN DAILY'S BIG AUTO VOTING CONTEST

This Is the Time For You to Show the Public "Who Is Who." Get Out This Week and Put Yourself Behind the Wheel of One of the Prize Cars.

Not a day passes in The Decatur Daily's great contest but that new records are being made in vote securing by candidates just getting started in the great quest for votes and subscriptions that will win for the hardest voters on Nov. 17 three brand new automobiles and 12 merchandise prizes, besides a substantial amount in cash commission for those who take part and do not land one of the regular prizes.
It is not hard to secure subscriptions to the Decatur Daily. Everyone who has tried that will tell you that The Daily is in great demand every day.
A great many of the candidates who have been content to rest upon the laurel of help given them by friends and acquaintances so far, suddenly realize what this campaign actually could mean to them personally if they would but push it themselves, and they were amazed at the ease with which they secured votes and subscriptions once they started after them, and their friends who had previously been voting for them all felt gratified and went at the campaign with renewed interest.
Leadership and high position changed around from one candidate to another yesterday with such amazing rapidity that it is hard to give the public an idea of the intensity of the campaign without doing some of the leading candidates a possible injustice. Some of the positions are so close together that to list one as a leader

John Hays Hammond May Succeed Harvey



John Hays Hammond, world-famous engineer, is being prominently mentioned as the possible successor of Col. George Harvey when the latter retires as Ambassador to Great Britain on January 1, 1924.

CLARKSON'S VOICE TO BE BROADCASTED

"Our Margaret" is coming into her own in the great music centers. The following telegram was received today and will be read with great pleasure by the people of this section, who have had not only the advantage of hearing her beautiful renditions, but have an affectionate interest in the progress being made by gifted Margaret Clarkson. Greater things still probably will be heard from "Our Margaret."
New York, N. Y., Oct. 9, 1923.
W. R. Shelton, Albany, Ala.
Margaret Clarkson engaged by the world radio station Newark, N. J., broadcasting her beautiful voice throughout the country and to her home folks. Am sure her friends in Albany will feel proud of her.
Dr. K. Hansen

Bumper Crop of Corn Is Forecast

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—A 3,000,000,000 bushel crop of corn this year was forecast today by the department of agriculture. Indications are this year's crop will be the fourth largest production in history. It is the fourth time a crop of 3,000,000,000 bushels or more has been grown.
The wheat crop was placed at 781,737,000 bushels in a preliminary estimate. That is 7,490,000 bushels less than forecast a month ago.

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would be doing an injustice to a dozen or more in each position group.
As the first extra vote period ends there is no end of excitement and interest, for every one by this time wants to know "Who is Who." And the candidates during this period are making an effort to show the public just "Who is Who" in leadership.
This period is the most important one of the entire campaign without a doubt. There are two reasons why this first extra vote period is the most important period. First of all it is the time in the campaign when every one has been voting for someone more or less promiscuously and they all want to know if they are voting for candidates who care whether they win, or whether they are just getting their votes and their support. No one cares to vote for dead timber, so they are watching this period of termination whether they shall continue to support the candidates of their choice or whether they will swing their support to some more progressive candidate.
Then the big 150,000 extra vote coupon which was issued on every \$15 turned in during this period helps the active candidates to secure a commanding position. So do your very best this week to emerge with a commanding position, for after this period there will be a very short time left of the campaign. And the votes get smaller so now is the time to do your very best. So go to it.

SPEAKERS URGING FIRE PREVENTION

Students of Schools Hear Warnings of "Safety First"
FIRE LOSSES IN STATE HEAVY

Carelessness Said to Be Responsible For Many of Blazes

Unusual efforts are being made in the public schools here this week to impress the need of greater care against fires in homes and business houses.
Every teacher of the entire system is expected on one of the days of the week to call the attention of the pupils of their respective rooms to the great saving made by fire prevention, and the great losses sure to be incurred if there is continued carelessness as to the causes of fires.
Wednesday morning two impressive addresses were made, one by Marvin Rankin at the Central high school and the other by T. M. Dix at the Lafayette street high school, both men stressing the need of eternal vigilance regarding fires and their causes.
Mr. Dix said that in one year Alabama had a fire loss of \$9,000,000 and that insurance covered only about a third of that amount, leaving \$6,000,000 worth of property to come off of the tax books thereby the income of the public schools was reduced materially. The importance of house holders taking every precaution against the "demon fire" was stressed by this speaker who began his address at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning after being introduced to the students by Prof. Pickett.
The address of Mr. Rankin was delivered at the Central Hi. auditorium and was listened to with careful attention. Mr. Rankin said the fire loss was mounting year by year, and that the American public must be aroused, if such an alarming condition was even corrected.
"During the last ten years the average fire loss in the United States has increased 68 per cent," declared Mr. Rankin "while the population has grown only 20 per cent." An Irishman's cow's kick caused the great Chicago fire when that animal turned a lantern over in a small barn. Net loss from the Chicago fire was given at \$165,000,000. The earthquake caused the fire at San Francisco was said to have netted a loss of \$350,000,000.
"Carelessness is the enemy we must all fight when we attempt to reduce the fire loss," said the speaker.
"Aside from the fact that fire waste takes money out of the individual's pocket, it also takes money away from our tax list, and this is only recoverable through years of hard work, and whenever the tax list begins to dwindle, one of two things must happen: either taxes must be raised, or appropriations must be cut down, and whenever the Board of revenue starts cutting appropriations it usually hits the schools, both directly and indirectly. In Alabama during 1922 the property loss was more than 9 million dollars, and the loss to the tax list of the state was more than 7 million dollars. During the past fifteen years the property loss in our state has been more than 78 million dollars, and the loss to the tax list has been more than 60 million dollars. It does not take a person of more than the average intelligence to tell who is paying for this waste—waste that could be prevented with a little thought and care.
I could burden you with figures for hours, for this is almost an inexhaustible subject, but I shan't do it, but will close by calling your attention to a few of the courses of preventable fire:
Careless handling of matches.
Defective chimneys and flues.
Improper care and use of stoves, furnaces and boilers.
Unsafe electrical wiring.
The use of kerosene, gasoline or other volatile oils, around the store or home.
Hot ashes, live coals and open fires.
Trash and rubbish in closets, basements and attics.
Careless handling of cigarette and cigar stubs."

Joint Meeting to Be Held Tonight

A joint meeting of the three commissioners of the city and of the members of the board of education has been arranged to be held at the Railroad street city hall this evening at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced by members of the board of commissioners and of the board of education this morning.

Grave Charges Are Made by Witness

(Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—The retrial of the divorce suit of W. E. D. Stokes against his wife, Mrs. Ellwood Stokes today was marked by one of the most dramatic scenes ever seen in the supreme courtroom here, when following an implied gross accusation on the part of a witness, Mrs. Stokes rose in her seat, sobbing, and shouted a denial and her husband perceptibly began to weep also.
Under cross examination by Samuel Untermyer, the defense counsel Elmer Henshaw, former chauffeur for Mrs. Stokes, said, "I was very friendly with Mrs. Stokes," and then added "I mean just what I said."
"Do you mean to imply?" asked Mr. Untermyer.
"Yes, I do," answered the witness.
At this point, Mrs. Stokes' mother, who was sitting beside her daughter, shouted: "That's a lie."
The teachers institute, scheduled to have been held here Friday at Central high school, has been postponed until a later date, according to a telegram received today by W. W. Benson, superintendent from R. E. Tidwell, of Montgomery, assistant state superintendent of education.

Institute Will Be Held Later

AGGIES WILL MEET CENTRAL ON FRIDAY

Stiff Scrimmage Used Wednesday in the Last of Week
LITTLE KNOWN OF ATHENS' STRENGTH

Purple and Gold Is Not Over-confident But Very Determined

With the bruises left by the charges of Cullman County's hefty eleven last Friday, gradually wearing off, Coach Drick's purple and gold football team Wednesday afternoon engaged in a stiff scrimmage, the last before the appearance here Friday of the Athens Aggies.
Little is known of the strength of the Athens team this year. Being a secondary agricultural school, it naturally outranks to some extent the municipal high school in athletic standing, but Athens teams in the past have proved uncertain.
The first meeting of a local high school eleven and the Aggies here in the early days of football proved a disaster for the locals. Athens simply made a track meet of the game. Then came the second meeting in 1920. In Athens. Again the Aggies left but little consolation for local supporters. Last year when the Aggies encountered the purple and gold, the story was just reversed. A forward passing game, started early in the contest, bewildered the Aggies and they never seemed able to get their feet on solid earth thereafter. It was a runaway.
The score still stands one game in favor of the Aggies, however, and the purple and gold squad is determined to even the count Friday. It might be said by way of explanation that the Aggies last year, probably filled with over confidence, took on the locals too early in the season. The green Aggie squad was unable to cope with the gridiron tricks of more experienced men.
This year, no doubt, the Aggies have made ample provision for breaking up the local's passing, but it must be remembered that Central is well fortified with other methods for advancing the ball. Gustin used splendid judgment Friday in calling his plays. With another week's drill at calling signals, he will do even better this week. Gustin may be depended upon to keep a watchful eye on the Aggies' defense and to attack where the defense seems weakest.
With the Cullman game safely behind on the right side of the ledger, the local eleven is not over-confident but still the ability to score three touchdowns on a squad of the admitted strength of Cullman County high has done much to build up the eleven's belief in itself.
Scouting the possibility of a team of championship ranking more and more fans have visited the field during the week to watch the daily practice sessions.

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WATSON AND HOYT FAIL IN FIRST GAME

Batteries are: Watson and Gowdy, for the Giants; Yankees, Hoyt and Schank.

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(Associated Press)
YANKEE STADIUM, Oct. 10.—When the Bronx factory whistle shrilled noon today the echoes sounded through the half filled grand stand of the Yankee stadium baseball's greatest monument, where the two New York teams, Giants of the National league and Yankees of the American, were gathered to battle for the diamond's greatest prize, the world's series.
The Giants, holders of the title were the first to appear. They came in bright new visitor's uniforms, and were led by Emil Meusel, whose brother, "Bub" Meusel, will be batting against them on the Yankee team before the largest crowd and the biggest financial stake in the history of the sport.
A loud cheer greeted the be-sweated clad who went to their dugout behind first base and watched Nick Nick Altrock with a bat for a baton lead the band as it marched around the field.
A slight breeze blew up, opening the American flag, and the American hung from the tall flagpole in center field. The wind also brought a melody of the rumbling of elevated trains and the blare of the band to the buzzing crowds in the upper tiers.
Lineups:
Giants: Baneroff, ss; Groh, 3b; Frisch, 2b; Young, rf; E. Meusel, lf; Stengel, cf; Kelly, 1b; Snyder, c; Watson p.
Yankees: Witt, cf; Dugan 3b; Ruth, rf; E. Meusel, lf; Pipp, 1b; Ward 2b; Schang, c; E. Scott, ss; Hopt, p.
Umpires: Evans, American League at plate; Hart of the National League third base; Nallin of American League second base; O'Day of National League first base.
First Inning—Giants, Baneroff flied to Ruth. Groh singled to center field on the first pitched ball. Frisch forced Groh, Scott to Ward. Frisch was out stealing, Schang to Ward. No runs, one hit, no errors.
Yankees—Witt lined out to Baneroff. Dugan got a base on balls. Ruth up. Loud cheers. Ruth forced Dugan, Groh to Baneroff. Ruth scored on Meusel's double to center. Pipp flied out to Meusel. One run, one hit, no errors.
Second Inning—Dugan threw Ward out at first. Meusel fouled to Pipp. Ruth made a nice catch of Stengel's fly. No runs, no hits, no errors.
Yankees—Ward singled into left field. Schang singled to center field. Ward going to second. Scott sacrificed to Kelly. Unassisted. Hoyt struck out Schang scored on Witt's single to center. Watson threw out Dugan at first. Two runs, three hits, no errors.
Third Inning—Giants: Kelly singled to center. Gowdy got a base on balls. Bentley batted for Watson and MeQuire ran for Gowdy. Bentley singled to center. Kelly going to third and Baneroff scored. Kelly scored on Baneroff's force. Scott to Ward. MeQuire went to third. Baneroff stole second. MeQuire and Baneroff scored. Groh's three bagger to right. Bush went in the box for the Yankees. Groh scored on Frisch's single to right. Young forced Frisch, Scott to Ward. Young scored. Schang to Ruth. Scott. Four runs, four hits, no errors.
Yankees—Ryan went in the box for the Giants and Snyder caught Ruth flied out to Meusel. Meusel sent a fly to Stengel. Pipp scratched a hit to Frisch. Ward fanned. No runs one hit, no errors.
Fourth Inning—Giants: Scott threw out Meusel at first. Stengel walked. Kelly hit into a double play, Scott to Ward to Pipp. No runs, no hits, no errors.
Yankees—Schang walked. Snyder almost picked Schang off first. Scott struck out. Bush doubled into left on Schang going to third. Witt hit into a peculiar double play, Ryan to Groh to Frisch. Witt was trying to make second while Schank was being run down. No runs, no hits, no errors.
Fifth Inning—Giants: Snyder flied out to Witt. Ryan was strike out victim. Baneroff sent a high or to Witt. No runs, no hits, no errors.
Yankees—Dugan sent a long fly to Meusel. Ruth shot a long hit into left for three bases. He made it by fast base running. Meusel flied to Frisch

SOLONS DECLINE PLAN OF WALTON

(Associated Press)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Oct. 10.—Plans for impeachment session of the state legislature to convene tomorrow, moved forward today apparently undisturbed by the offer made last night by Governor Walton to resign if the legislature will pass a bill which he has prepared, to unmask the Ku Klux Klan in Oklahoma.
"The legislature will not traffic with the governor on legislation and thereby render his immune to the consequences of his acts," W. B. McFee, leader of th legislative group, said.

Foreign Doctors to See Health Work

Seven European physicians of the twenty sent to America for research work by the League of Nations, are expected here next Wednesday it was announced at the county health unit Wednesday morning. Dr. B. F. Austin who was at the unit in conference with Dr. H. C. McRee, county health officer, stated in connection with the expected visit of the distinguished foreign doctors expected here Wednesday to spend five days in Madison county examining health conditions. The guest-physicians will take as this part of the state from Talladega, Dr. Austin stated.
BOARD TO ADJOURN
The Morgan County board of revenue which has been in session for the last three days at the court house is expected to adjourn late today it was stated by B. E. Davis, a member of the board at noon today.
With the exception of regular routine business, nothing of special interest has been before the board. Mr. Davis stated.

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If Germany cannot say anything else, the Fatherland can be a tight wad.

The action of the convicts in the Kentucky prison did give the state guard some unusual practice.

When the time comes when "the lion shall eat straw like the ox" yet us hope there will be plenty for both.

President Coolidge's Red Cross speech is said to please everybody. It is safe to add that Mr. Coolidge will keep his own counsel as a politician.

Too many of us are just the same old beings we always were, and only equipped with a few new resolutions.

Maybe, like Brer Rabbit, Henry Ford is laying low, just like he did not want Muscle Shoals, knowing that Brer Wolf Republican Party will give him just what he don't want.

And now comes Senator Copeland of New York, who writes such good health hints as a side line, and asks for a world economic conference. But if such a conference met all it could do would be to pass resolutions and close by thanking everybody that made it a success.

In spite of the fact Lloyd George is regarded as politically dead, the people all along his routes of travel shout themselves hoarse for said corpse. Americans are first of all generous and sympathetic, and in addition George is a good mixer. The people don't give a hoot whether he ever gets into political office again. They are just getting their good feelings off their chests.

REPORTS THAT GERMANW

WILL CO-OPERATE ON INDEMNITY

Late reports state that the German government has sent word to the French and Belgian governments signifying the Fatherland's willingness to co-operate in an effort to re-establish civilized society. If the report is confirmed and Germany really does mean to be a party to co-operation with her late enemies, then it may be said that at last the Germans have realized they lost the war of 1914-18.

For years Germany has been living in the hope that diplomatic negotiations would prevent her from feeling the economic effects of her defeat by the allied armies. There was England on the one hand that seemed willing to remit much war indemnity in order to cash in on the German trade. She had already acquired the German colonies by the war.

Then this country took its soldiers out of Europe and asked for no indemnity. It did look as if, with France alone of the great powers to deal with that Germany could escape the economic effects of the World war.

This conviction grew the longer the French abstained from military efforts to collect her huge war indemnity. But at last France proved to be strong and powerful as a bill collector, and it now seems she is to have no further trouble on that score, provided the Germans actually co-operate, and provided also that later Lloyd George's prophecy does not come true, namely, that France will finally be driven out of the Ruhr "without indemnities."

Poincare refers contemptuously to George as a "resounding tourist."

If the German government has decided to come to terms, then the once fair dream of an economic victory despite a military defeat has passed away.

If it be true, as Lloyd George is quoted as saying, that Germany is less able to pay indemnity than ever, still if she co-operates with France and Belgium, the last named countries will not sink into poverty while Germany prospers her industries.

RHENISH REPUBLIC

UNLIKELY

Cable dispatches of Saturday carried the prediction by Herr Matthes of Rhineland, that a Rhenish republic will be established by Christmas.

Such a plan hardly will succeed, especially if the allies can prevent it, even if Germany does not.

The proposed Rhenish republic would include the richest part of the German nation, containing most of its coal and mineral deposits and its principal factories. It is planned, according to Herr Matthes, to export goods from the planned republic, not through German ports, such as Hamburg and Bremen, where they would be subject to German taxation, but through Belgium and Holland.

This is simply another plan, as we see it, to evade payment of Germany's reparation bill. Stripped of her industrial section, Germany would be less able to pay the allies her war debts than she is today. And the new republic, of course would feel no obligations or responsibilities along this line.

The plan hardly will succeed. Germany herself will prevent its success, if possible. And if Germany fails, then the allies are to be reckoned with. The territory and the people contained in the proposed Rhenish republic were a part of Germany when that nation plunged into the world war, when she surrendered, when she accepted the terms of the treaty of Versailles and when she agreed to make payments of reparations. They cannot now withdraw and thereby unload their agreements along this line. The days of "scraps of paper" seem to have passed.—Gadsden Journal.

CALL A HALT IN THE

DESTRUCTION WROUGHT BY FIRE

It will be news to many that the fire losses in this country are steadily mounting. Real alarm is felt in responsible circles for the future welfare of the country if the fire losses are to continue to increase at the present ratio. The authorities of the nation, the state, and of this city are determined to educate the people against the occurrence of fires, by beginning first with the school children, and then showing the grown-ups what they can do for the prevention of fires. The suggestion made in yesterday's Daily by Chief Sorber, following the anti-fire proclamation by Commissioner Nelson will bear repeating, and are as follows:

"Walls, ceiling and partitions should be shielded from the overheating of stoves, furnaces and pipes.

"Hot ashes belonging in metal containers, not on wooden boxes and barrels.

"Oil lamps or stoves are safely filled only by daylight.

"Open fires should always be screened.

"Accumulation of rubbish and litter are breeding places for fires; remember that the first law of fire prevention is cleanliness.

"A gas leak should not be hunted with an open flame; use a flash light, and apply soap suds to the 'suspected' part of the pipe, so that the leak will reveal itself.

"Gasoline and other volatile liquids make dangerous cleaning fluids; many safe compounds are on the market, including carbon tetrachloride, which is obtainable at any drug store.

"Use proper fuses in electrical circuits; the fuse is the safety valve of the system, and should not be tampered with.

"Turn off electric flat-irons and other heating devices while attending to something else.

"Defective chimneys and flues caused \$15,000,000 destruction last year; they should be kept in repair.

"Before winter comes all smoke pipes should be cleaned of soot; if they are clogged, they may overheat and start fires when the furnace is operated.

It is much better to be careful than sorry. Once a fire has destroyed, say, an ancestral home, the loss can never be replaced. There are associations about an old log house, that are valuable and inspiring. By all means none of the fine buildings of the city should be allowed to go up in smoke this year, or any other year.

If no sentiment is attached to the buildings, the financial loss of a burn out can never be replaced.

And especially since timber is becoming more scarce every year, it is the bounden duty of all to prevent every fire all the time.

"Behold how great a matter a little fire kind-

led."

DR. BARNWELL TO

SPEAK TONIGHT

Rev. Middleton Barnwell was announced by Bishop Coadjutor McDowell this morning as the principal speaker at the general meeting to be held at St. John's Episcopal church this evening beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. Barnwell is expected to speak on some phases of the nation wide campaign now in progress in the Episcopal church.

At four o'clock this afternoon, St. John's church Mrs. Pope of Birmingham will make an address to the women of St. John's church.

The initial gathering of the church for the purpose of hearing messages of members of the "Flying Squadron" was held last evening when Bishop McDowell made the principal address to men of St. John's Episcopal church. Preceding the address of the Bishop a dinner was served to the men of the church by the Ladies' of the church.

The following attended the dinner: Bishop Coadjutor McDowell, Rector T. G. Mundy, Harry Carpenter, C. J. Hildreth, Harold Hildreth, Mr. Inabnet, Thomas Hodson, Mr. Shine, Col. W. A. Walton, J. Q. Sewell, J. Quimby Sewell, Capt. W. B. Edmundson, Col. W. A. Bibb, A. H. Hoff, E. E. Graves, and D. G. Perkins.

Bishop McDowell told the men of the church that the nation wide campaign idea originated with Dr. R. W. Patton, in 1910 in Atlanta, that the campaign for a time included only Atlanta and the state of Georgia, but that following the world war in 1919 the authorities of the church adopted what is now known as the "Nation Wide Campaign." The Bishop explained that annually Episcopalians in all parts of the country were expected to confer among themselves, on all matters of import to the church early in each October, with a view of enlarging the work of the church and increasing its activities.

Bishop McDowell in addition to Rev. Barnwell is expected to speak tonight and the general public is cordially invited to hear the distinguished visitors.

Horn Will Enter

Magic City Store

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Horn arrived here from Horn Springs, Tenn., enroute to Birmingham, where Mr. Horn expects to enter business. Joe Horn is the son of the owner of Horn Springs and has been an important factor in the building up of this popular resort.

The thousands who have visited Horn Springs have at all times been the recipients of Joe Horn's courtesy and attention. May he prosper in any enterprise in which he may engage, but Horn Springs and guests will miss Joe. Mr. and Mrs. Horn left today for Birmingham, making the trip in their automobile.

COTTON MARKET

(Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—Cotton futures opened steady. October 28.05; December, 27.57; January, 26.92; March 26.93; May 26.95.

Reel of Attention.

"I took the telephone operator out fishing with us," said Peeters. "She had just got her line in when a big bass pulled in, line and all, into the water." "What did she do?" inquired Loveland, with considerable interest. "She munched her gum for a few minutes, then said placidly: 'The line is busy.'"—Kansas City Star.

Pie Still "Landed."

The ancient ceremony of "Landing the Pie," founded in the reign of Henry VIII, was revived at Eel Pie Island, Richmond, Eng. The pie was rowed around the island and then borne ashore by the crew in full regalia.

Dangerous Proceeding.

Something always happens to the man who flirts with temptation just to show how strong he is.

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"I suffered from indigestion in its worst form for five years," said Mrs. May Peenell, Route 1, Baileytown, Ala. "Gas formed after eating and made me miserable. This brought on constipation and dull, draggy headaches. My breath was bad and my tongue furred, which showed that my liver was not acting."

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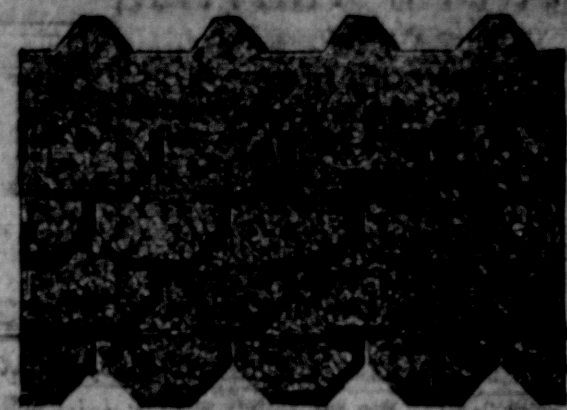
Terracing School To Be Held Soon

Specialist from Auburn, assisted by County Agent J. C. Ford, will conduct a terracing school at Hartsville beginning, Tuesday, October 16, and continuing four days. This will not be a terracing demonstration but a school in which intensive training in the care and use of the terracing level and building and maintenance of terraces will be given.

Those who take this course should be well qualified to do terracing and simple drainage work, and should be able to find much profitable employment in their respective communities in addition to doing their own terracing.

To Remove Beans From Nose.

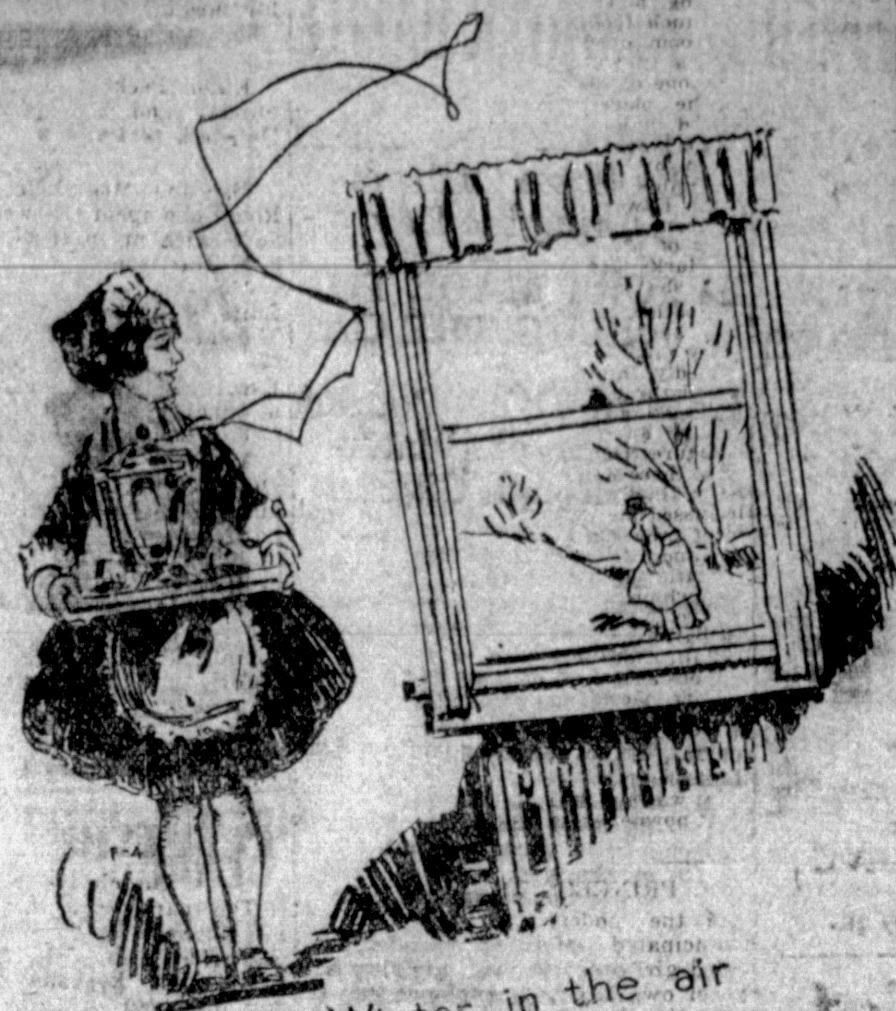
If children put beans or other small objects up the nose in such a way as to make the removal difficult, rub cayenne pepper upon the upper lip to induce sneezing. In this way the small impediment is usually expelled with no need for summoning the physician.



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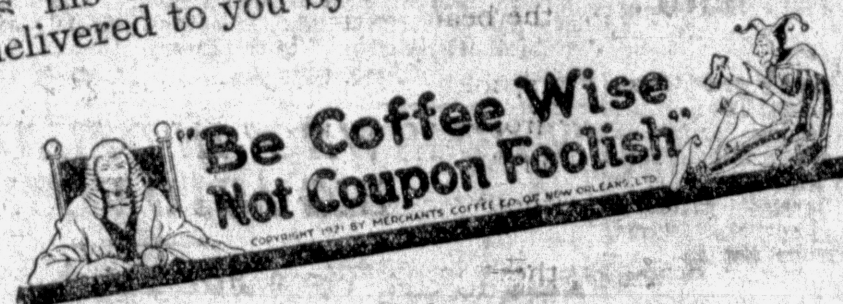


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MY HUSBAND'S LOVE

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The Way Dicky Surprised Madge by His Changed Routine.

"I DON'T mind at all," I found myself saying steadily. In answer to Dicky's question, but my brain was busy with queries which I did not dare to put.

Why the sudden decision to go to the studio? I knew from his own comments that he had nothing important on hand, and the wound on his head, even though it had received competent surgical attention, surely gave him ample excuse for remaining at home, even if there had been any one but himself to whom he had to give excuses.

Why the undeniable and unusual interest in the voices of Mrs. Marks and Mollie Fawcett outside our door? Why the comment, "that is an English name," almost as if he had seen the girl's odd type and noticed the incongruity between her name and her appearance?

Was it possible—I pushed a fantastic conjecture back into a brain compartment and locked the door upon it. But I did not throw away the key, and I knew that some time, when I had leisure to consider anything beside the commonplace of housekeeping again, I should release the fanciful guess and give it a thorough investigation.

"Is there anything I can do for you?" I asked the perfunctory question equably.

"Not a thing, old dear. Thanks, just the same. I hope the water's hot for my shave."

"If it isn't, I can heat some, very quickly," I returned. "But I'm sure it is."

He went into the bathroom, and the next minute I heard his voice in a satisfied comment.

"Hot as the hinges of—"

A Pleasant Prospect.

The closing of the door cut off his final word, and with a very little study at his characteristic expression, I took my parcels down the hall to the kitchen, and donning a kitchen apron put them away in refrigerator and cupboard until Dicky should have gone. Cooking is almost a rite with me, I so thoroughly enjoy it—almost as much as

I detect the clearing-up process afterwards—and I wanted no distractions while preparing the dinner which I meant to be one of the best of my record.

I could distinguish only the distant murmur of voices in the next apartment, and I guessed that Mrs. Marks had taken her unexpected guest into the kitchen at the back and shut the door, where their chat would not disturb the attentive "Pete." Suddenly I discovered that I was straining my ears to hear any chance word, and with a wave of disgust at myself, I fled back to the living-room again.

Madge is Curious.

I almost stopped short in the hall, however, on discovering that the bathroom door stood ever so slightly ajar. It was not possible for anyone in the hall to see Dicky at his shaving, but the circumstance gave me much food for conjecture. The bathroom opening upon the public hall in this apartment always had been one of his strongest objections to the place, and he never had shaved in it before without closing and locking the door. Why had he broken his rule this morning? Was it possible that his curiosity to see Mollie Fawcett was so strong that he meant to inspect her through the crack of the door, should she leave the Marks' apartment before he finished shaving?

I loathed myself for the conjecture, but I could not keep it out of my mind, and when Dicky came hurriedly into the living-room and rushed through his dressing in record-breaking time, I kept my ears open for any indication of the girl's departure from the Marks' domicile.

But there was no sign of her when Dicky finally was ready to depart. He kissed me perfunctorily, with an air of pre-occupation, went into the hall, and I heard a minute after the emphatic closing of the lower hall door which always heralds his departure.

What instinct took me to the front window, I do not know, for in that area of cheap apartments, I declined to make one of the company of women who waved languishingly to their departing spouses. But I rushed to the window, and raising it noisily, leaned far out to see which way he had gone.

But nowhere was Dicky to be seen.

PRINCESS THURSDAY

If the modern, up-to-the minute emancipated unfettered and untrammelled girl overdoing it? Can she carry her own latchkey, smoke cigarettes keep late hours, ignore the conventions, smash the old ideals without at the same time smashing herself?

Or in another way of putting it: Is the so-called "bold girl" necessarily a "bad girl?"

In "Prodigal Daughters," a Sam Wood Paramount production with Gloria Swanson as the star, which comes to the Princess theatre next Thursday and Friday the answer is a smashing surprise that will make the audience gasp.

A frenzy extravagance in which the thoroughly liberated woman of today is shown plunging full tilt into

Somerville News

Almost everybody here and in the surrounding communities attended the Morgan County Fair last week at Hartselle.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cain, of Hartselle, spent Sunday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Garrison, of Hartselle, were here Sunday visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Waugh and children, Percy and Mai, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wright, at Friendship.

Miss Ida Rice is improving from an attack of malaria.

James Wade, of Decatur, was here for the week end.

Mrs. A. D. Sample and baby, Nel visited Mrs. Mary Cunningham for the weekend.

Dr. Peck went to Decatur Sunday for medical treatment for his throat which has been giving him trouble.

Elliot Peck of Decatur was here Sunday and accompanied his uncle Dr. Peck to Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Leldon Garrison of Route one spent the weekend in Hartselle with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Garrison.

State of Alabama, Morgan County, Probate Court

Estate of Allen Abernathy, colored a minor.

To whom it may concern: You are hereby notified that on October 6th, 1923, E. L. Loyd, as guardian of the estate of Allen Abernathy, filed in this office his account and vouchers for a final settlement of his guardianship of said estate, and that the 29th day of October has been set as the day for hearing said account, and you may appear before this court on said date, and contest said settlement if you see proper so to do.

Witness my hand this October 6th 1923.

L. P. Troup, Judge of Probate

Oct. 10-17-24.

Dissolution Notice.

The partnership heretofore existing between T. F. Sheats and L. B. Reynolds under the firm name of Sheats and Reynolds has been this day dissolved the said T. F. Sheats having assumed the interest of the said L. B. Reynolds and having succeeded to all rights and interests of firm all debts of said firm having been assumed by and are to be paid by T. F. Sheats, and all accounts due the said firm are to be paid to T. F. Sheats.

Signed T. F. Sheats, L. B. Reynolds

Oct. 10-17-24.

the maelstrom of reckless behavior is followed by a climax that is unique in motion picture production.

SPARKS CIRCUS FIRST BIG SHOW TO REDUCE PRICES FOR CHILDREN

Realizing that circus day is one of the most important events in a child's life, Manager Charles Sparks of the Sparks circus which will exhibit in Decatur Friday Oct. 19 announces a radical departure in prices that should prove most attractive to the youngsters.

At both performances here children under the age of 12 are to be admitted for 30 cents, including war tax.

Mr. Sparks writes: "Owing to the high cost of practically everything used by our circus, we are unable at present to reduce the price of adults' tickets for which we charge the standard price of 45 cents. Knowing that he circus is primarily a children's entertainment, we gave the little ones first consideration when we felt that business conditions warranted a price reduction, and believe that a far greater number of children will now be able to attend the circus."

That this important announcement will be popular with the kiddies goes without saying.

Greatly enlarged this season and even more lavishly equipped than of former years, the Sparks Circus is preceded here by most complimentary newspaper reviews from cities in which it has recently exhibited.

Several brand new features and many surprises are promised in the elaborate performances which will commence at 2 and 8 p. m. circus day. The doors will be opened one hour earlier to allow the public ample time to visit the comprehensive menagerie. Triples in size this season positively the only big show to visit Decatur in vicinity this year. Seats can be secured circus day at Alabama Drug store same price as at show grounds. Exhibition grounds at Lee, Davis, Oak and Lines streets.

CATHOLIC PRELATES TO GATHER IN CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI—Many distinguished Catholic prelates and laymen will attend the annual convention of the National Catholic Council of Catholic men, which will be held here October 16-17. The council is one of the five departments of the National Catholic Welfare Council and embraces all Catholic laymen in the United States.

Admiral William S. Benson, retired now a member of the Shipping Board is national president of the Council and will preside.

Guide Posts.

You can recognize the approach of Easy street by the little piles of discarded friends along the way.—Van-couver Sun.

Jewelry Store Is Robbed Second Time

(Associated Press)

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 10.—While L. C. Larsen was sitting in his jewelry store last night figuring up just how much two bandits took when they broke into his store Saturday, two unmasked men walked in, covered him with revolvers, and escaped with \$200 in cash and diamonds valued at \$2,000.

HARD-UP COLLECTORS SELL ART TREASURES TO AMERICA LONDON—Art collectors from America have sent more treasures to America since the war than were purchased by Americans during the 20 years previous to 1914.

English collectors explain that this is the result of the need for cash which is being acutely felt in England. Many formerly wealthy art collectors are forced to sell their possessions in order to meet high taxation and living costs. There seems to be no such condition among the American collectors.

for their English agents are everywhere and always ready to seize upon any treasures that are for sale. In fact, so anxious are some of the agents to buy that they have adopted the method of calling on well known collectors and making them offers for various objects.

Art objects to the value of \$10,000,000 were shipped to the United States last year.

FORMER PASTOR SPEAKS

Rev. R. F. Stuckey, of Blorton, former pastor of the First Baptist church of Albany is spending a few days in the city and will occupy the pulpit of Rev. S. D. Monroe, the present pastor of the First Baptist church of Albany this evening at 7 o'clock.

Rev. Monroe has issued a cordial invitation to the friends of Rev. Stuckey to attend the services tonight.

SERVICES WEDNESDAY WEST SIDE PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. Mathew C. Dickson formerly of Des Moines, Iowa, and an ex-army

chaplain, will preach at the West Side Presbyterian church at 7:15 o'clock Wednesday night, subject "Paul's Vision." Legion men are especially invited as the subject will be of much interest to them as well as to the general public.

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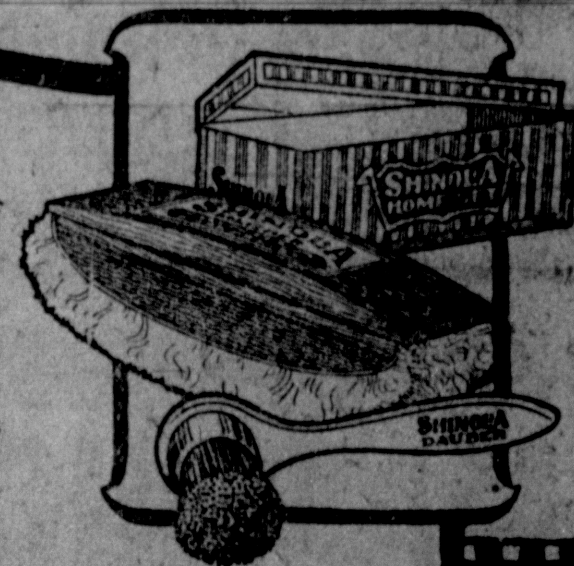
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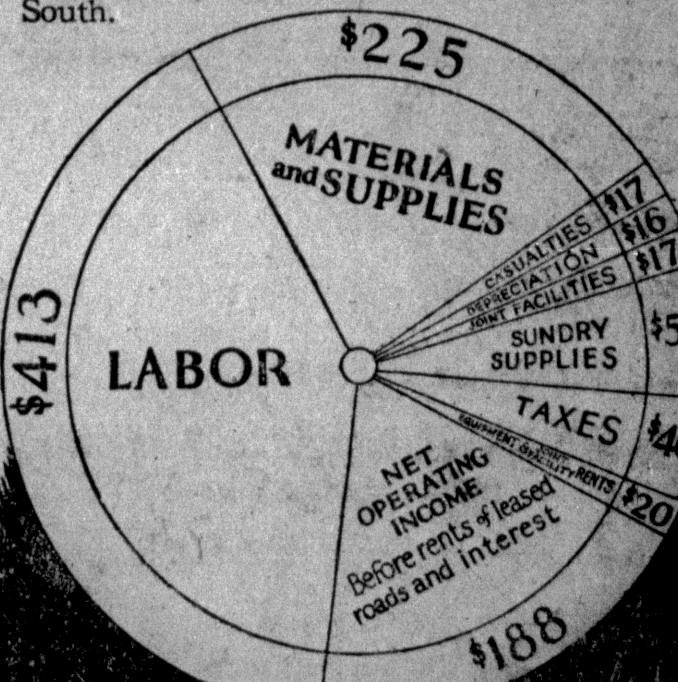
Our total receipts for the past three years have averaged \$3,230 a year for each employee. Out of these earnings we must first pay wages, which have averaged in the same period \$1,580 a year.

Out of the \$1,650 remaining, we must pay our bills for materials and supplies, pay for the coal burned in our engines, meet loss, damage and casualty claims, pay rents and taxes, and have enough left over to provide a fair return on the investment.

At the service of each employee is an average investment of \$13,000 in railroad property—tracks, stations, terminals, equipment, etc.

Only by efficiency of management, an understanding of the transportation needs of the South, loyal service of employees, and the

confidence and cooperation of the public, is it possible for a large railroad system like the Southern to provide adequate and dependable transportation service—and save enough out of its earnings to provide a fair return on the investment, and thus command the new capital needed to keep pace with the growth of the South.



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HEALTH REPORT IS MADE FOR SEPT.

The health report for Morgan county for the month of September was made to the county board of revenue now in session, by Dr. H. C. McRee, county health officer, shows in the education dept. that 800 people attended the three health lectures by Dr. McRee; that 142 letters and 160 health pamphlets were sent out, that 200 personal conferences were held, and seven newspaper articles furnished.

In school work 215 children were examined, 175 defective found, 50 defects remedied and 2 latrines built at schools. In solid pollution work, latrines built 23, septic tanks 4, bucket and box 6, pits 6, sewer connections 2. Examinations for intestinal parasites 20.

In quarantine work cases reported 7; quarantines 3, visited 12, diseases typhoid 1 case, Diphtheria 9, scarlet fever 1, syphilis 1.

Dr. McRee reported he had visited the county almshouse and found conditions "above reproach."

The complete report of Dr. McRee is as follows:

Educational
Total lectures delivered 3, attendance 800, public 0, letters sent 142, school 3, pamphlets 160, special 0, newspaper articles 7, personal conferences 200 posters 0.

School Work
Schools visited 4, latrines built at school 2, children examined 215, number defective 175, defects remedied 50.

Soil Pollution Work
Total latrines built 23, towns 7, rural districts 16, septic tanks 4, bucket and box 6, pits 6, sewer connections 2, school for intestinal parasites 20, positive 3, negative 17.

Quarantine Work
Total cases reported 7, quarantined 3, visited 12, diseases and number of each, typhoid fever 1, diphtheria 9, scarlet fever 1, syphilis 1, smallpox, vaccinations 0, typhoid inoculations 848, 43.

Inspections
Premises 34, schools 8, churches 0, markets, stores etc., 68 special inspection 43.

Malaria Control Work
Yds. ditching (a) 0, (b) 0 (c) 0 yds. cleaning 100 yds. clearing 0 yds. killing 600 ponds stocked with minnows 0.

Miscellaneous
Water connections 7, wells improved 7, springs removed 3, milk examinations 0, milk supplies radically improved 0, water examinations 0, miles travelled 750, homes visited by nurse 21, child welfare 13, infant welfare 8, others 0, houses screened 1, nuisances abated 20, talks to groups of people by nurse 3, by sanitary inspector 4.

Other activities, remarks: 289 laboratory examinations, 18 cases venereal disease continuing treatment August 4 new cases admitted total 22, 75 treatments administered, 3 cases intra-venous quinine administered for malaria. Visited county almshouse, found conditions above reproach.

Dated Oct. 1st, 1923.
Signed H. C. McREE
County Health Officer.

Building and Loan Enjoys a Banquet

The October meeting of the board of directors of the North Alabama Building and Loan Association was featured this month with a banquet given at the Lyons Hotel. The dinner was served just prior to the business meeting of the directors, which was held in the directors room of the Tennessee Valley Bank.

Reports at the business meeting showed a busy month.

Reports showed that a number of new and handsome homes had been erected of late through the instrumentality of the loan association.

The dinner at the Lyons hotel was J. E. Orman, of Russellville, a member of the advisory board of the Tennessee Valley Bank, and J. B. Lagomarsino of Sheffield.

The directors present were: Clyde Hendrix, A. T. Hanson, S. A. Lynne, John A. Thomason, F. H. Pointer, F. G. Cook, W. E. Sivley, W. H. Aycock, J. S. Patterson and Dr. T. G. Morrow.

HISTORIC DOCUMENT
W. E. Nethery, local agent for the Life and Casualty Insurance Co., of Nashville, Tenn., has received a number of copies of the Declaration of Independence, and expects to put a copy in each of the schools here.

SOCIETY.

Margaret C. Shelton—Phone Decatur 362.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

Wednesday.
Married Ladies Bridge Club.—Mrs. J. L. Echols.
Thursday.
Thursday Club, 2:30 p. m.—Mrs. B. M. Bloodworth.
U. D. C. 3 p. m.—Miss Rebecca Leasingham.
Friday.
Friday Thirteen.—Mrs. N. D. Burnum.
Saturday.
Luncheon for Saturday club members, Mrs. Lamar Penney and Mrs. E. F. Baird at the Baird home.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON BRIDGE CLUB.
The Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club met on Tuesday afternoon with Miss Sabine Dupont as hostess. Mrs. A. A. Hardage and Mrs. E. F. Baird were guests and Mrs. Hardage received the visitors prize while Mrs. Markstein was awarded the club trophy.

Late in the afternoon stuffed tomatoes, sandwiches and coffee were served.

Now members taken into the club this year are Mrs. Sheets and Mrs. T. M. Jones, Jr.

TUESDAY BRIDGE CLUB.
Mrs. W. N. Cowden was hostess at the first meeting of the Tuesday Bridge Club held this fall on East Vine street.

All members were present and Mrs. Greer made highest score and received a handsome handkerchief as a prize. Lovely refreshments were served after the game.

Mrs. Will Wyker will entertain the members at the meeting next week.

EPISCOPAL SUPPER.
The ladies of the St. John's Episcopal church gave a lovely supper on Tuesday evening with Bishop McDowell and Rev. Middleton Barnwell of Birmingham as guests of honor.

SILK STOCKING CLUB.
Mrs. H. D. Greer will entertain the members of the Silk Stocking club on Friday afternoon.

Miss Edna Aycock and Miss Katherine Parsons have returned from a short stay in Athens.

Mrs. Gordon Borgs will undergo an operation at the Benevolent hospital this week.

Mrs. L. D. Carlisle and children of Huntsville, returned home Tuesday after spending the weekend with her mother, Mrs. A. J. Schneider.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Voglen and son of Akron, O., are spending several weeks with Mrs. A. J. Schneider and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Meigs and Edwards Bynum, of Courtland, were here Tuesday.

Mrs. D. C. Vohlers is now resting and improving at her home on Johnston street, following treatment at the Benevolent Hospital.

Ruth Chandler is convalescing at the local hospital, following an operation for appendicitis. She is the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Chandler.

PRAYER MEETING.
Division E. of Decatur prayer meetings will meet this week with Mr. A. E. Greenhill as pastor and leader at her home on Eighth avenue.

Not Much Soil. The reason a floorwalker wears a flower in his buttonhole is because it won't stay in his hair.—Maltaner.

BIRTH. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gray a son on October 9th whom they named Michael Murray.

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Daughters! Do you think your parents are hopelessly old-fashioned?

SHOWING TODAY
Richard Talmadge, in
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FOR SALE—House and five acres of land on Bee Line Highway. L. B. Wyatt & Sons. 9-3t.

FOR SALE—Pony and buggy and harness, one 1917 Reo Touring car. Sell latter for \$150. S. R. Towns care W. H. Aycock & Co., 8-3t.

FOR SALE—Four and one-half acres of land with seven-room house, electric lights, good water, plenty of out-buildings, at a price that is a genuine sacrifice. For price and terms see Cain, Wolcott & Rankin, Morgan County Bank Bldg. 6-6t.

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FOR SALE—An old square piano, the latter will make a fine library table. Phone Albany 46 if interested. 11t.

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FOR RENT—Upstairs, apartment, 5 room both and kitchen. Rolling stock apartment. East Sherman street. W. B. Edmundson. Phone Albany 124. 10-3t.

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FOR RENT—3 unfurnished rooms, kitchenette, hall and private bath, upstairs. Apply 216 E. Church street, Phone Decatur 351. 9-3t.

FOR RENT—Three nice furnished rooms. 803 Perry street, Decatur. Phone Decatur 238. 8-3t.

FOR RENT—1808, 6th Avenue South and 207, 8th Avenue West, both homes modern five room houses. Several bargains in homes. Don't forget your deeds and mortgages at J. A. Thornhill's office.

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WANTED—Clean empty sacks except meat sacks at Decatur Fruit and Produce Co. Malone Building, Albany 10-3t.

HOMES WANTED—List your property for sale or rent with us. We have customers wanting homes in all parts of the city. Penny & Whitman, Eyster Building, Albany, Ala. 7-1t.

FIRE INSURANCE—The season is now here for you to start a fire in your furnace, grate, or stove. Before doing so you had better look up your fire insurance policy and see if you are fully protected against fire. If not let us issue you a fire policy. Penny & Whitman, Eyster building, Albany. 19-1t.

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NOTICE—If you need an auctioneer or Notary work done, see me at Albany Sales and Salvage Company, 413-2nd Avenue, Albany. Dr. M. Thresher, City Auctioneer. 9-3t.

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Have you a picture of home that the children may see "the old home" when they are grown, and cherish it?

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BUSSES ROUT CARS

Motor Coaches Driving Out Trolley in Some Towns.

Good Roads Throughout the Country May Threaten the Electric Car's Existence.

A town in Vermont has now abandoned its trolley line and is to substitute busses. It is announced that when the change goes into effect the fare will be raised from 8 cents to 10. If the street railway company had put up the price no one would have stood for it, we presume. A street-car fare is one thing, a bus fare another. Such is our unanalytical psychology.

Few opportunities are offered for getting more for your money than a ride on a street car, no matter what the rate charged. Yet trolley companies here and there are being driven to the wall or out of business because people "kick" at a legitimate fare, while they are willing to pay more for perhaps inferior, at least irregular service.

Picture the busses in this Vermont town getting proprietor, clerks and patrons down to the store on Main street on the morning after heavy snowfall. They will be good snow buckers if they do it, for they won't have any plowed-out trolley tracks to run in. This promises to be an interesting experiment on this account. Where busses heretofore have been tried either they have not operated where they had to contend with heavy snow or they have run in the tracks of the street railways.

The motor bus is multiplying in New York and in this state would probably have sent the Connecticut company's rails and cars to the junkman had not the public utilities commission intervened.

In the city of London there are no street car lines. Motor busses apparently serve the city and environs dependably. Success of the motor bus in this country will in the end depend on the quality of service rendered. Hereabouts the trolley seems to have certain advantages, in regularity, dependability, cost and upbuilding of suburban territory which it would be a calamity to lose. It was predicted thirty-five years ago, when the trolley was in its infancy, that a superior method of transportation would soon supplant it. The underground cable and various other devices have had their day and disappeared, but the trolley still stops to take us abroad. It has been a faithful servant.

Street improvement, of course, makes the motor bus a possible competitor. Little advantage apparently inheres today in steel rails, as a well surfaced road provides for rubber-tired vehicles good enough traction. Government, state and town appropriation of hundreds of millions yearly for good roads have created a condition that may threaten the trolley's existence. If that time comes there will have to be a lot of new lawmaking.—Hartford (Conn.) Times.

United States Abounds in Gems.

Practically every known gem is to be found somewhere in the United States. Diamonds are to be found in Arkansas, North Carolina, Kentucky, Georgia, Ohio, Wisconsin, Colorado and California. Montana leads in the production of sapphires and also of rubies, while others of the same family, especially the true emerald, which is often more valuable than diamonds of equal size, is found in North Carolina and New Mexico. While the largest and richest of the blue variety of topaz comes from Russia, Colorado has produced a marvelous reddish-brown stone that cannot be excelled, while the clear varieties from New England and Utah are as lovely as a diamond. Many lands have given garnets, but the finest are from New Mexico. Nevada's opals have become important in the commercial world. Fresh-water pearls come from the mussel and are found in the rivers of Arkansas, Indiana and Tennessee.—Detroit News.

17,450 Words on Postcard.

A bank cashier of Nimes, France, believes he has beaten the world's record for postal card correspondence. On the back of an ordinary postcard he has succeeded in writing 203 lines, containing 17,450 words, equivalent to the normal amount of matter on two pages of a newspaper. The previous record, M. Prout believes, has not more than 12,500 words.

So microscopic is M. Prout's writing that few were convinced it was not a photographic reduction of a larger manuscript. Finally all doubts were set at rest when the Institute Pasteur, to which the card was sent, certified, after close examination under a microscope, that the work had actually been done with a pen.—Milwaukee Journal.

Over the Phone.

Mr. Brown had had telephonic connection established between his office and house.

"I tell you, Smith," he was saying, "this telephone business is a wonderful thing. I want you to dine with me this evening, and I will notify Mrs. Brown to expect you. (Speaking through the telephone): My friend Smith will dine with us this evening. Now listen and hear how distinctly her reply will come back."

Mrs. Brown's reply came back with startling distinctness: "Ask your friend Smith if he thinks we keep a hotel."

Y. M. C. A. Proverb.

Do not resist the prompting of spirit—act upon it. Do not hesitate, do not argue against it, or you will incur the current of reasoning not based upon truth, for spirit is truth.

"DO OR DIE" WEEK

This is the Week of all Weeks.

Make it Pay You Well

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Fill out this Blank, mail or bring it to the CAMPAIGN MANAGER, DECATUR DAILY
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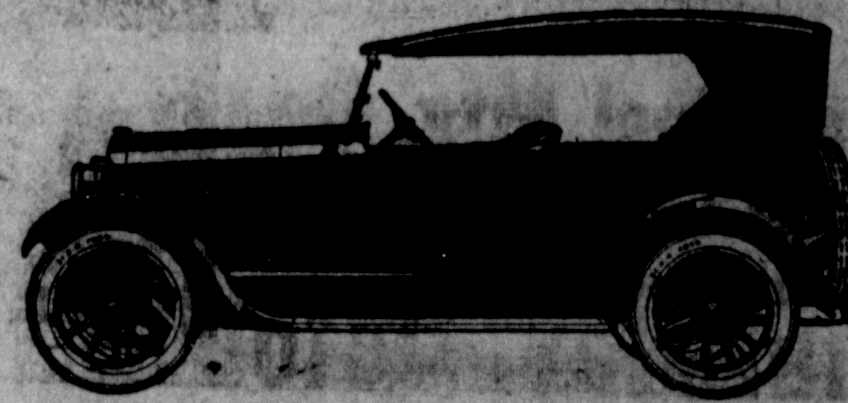
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Making Nomination

Address

(Only One Nomination Blank Allowed Each Nominee)

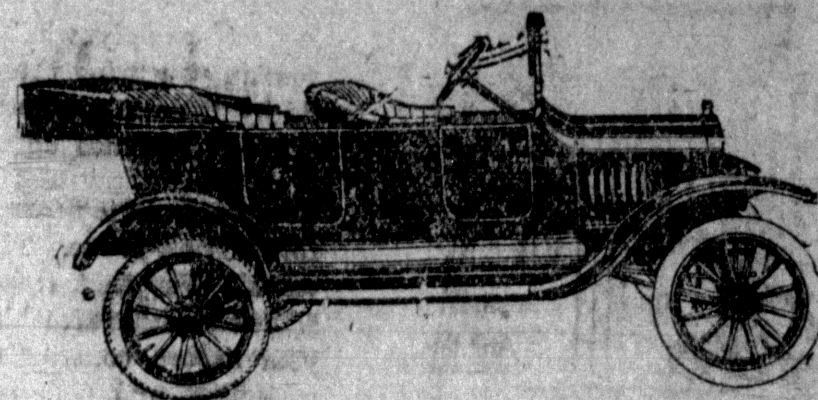
150,000 Extra Votes all this Week



FIRST PRIZE—BUICK FOUR
Purchased of and on display at Malone Motor Company

DAILY'S PRIZE, YOU CAN WIN

1. Buick Four Touring Car	\$1,100.00
2. Chevrolet Touring Car	\$ 595.00
3. Ford Touring Car	\$ 478.00
4. Diamond Ring	\$ 200.00
5. Graphonola	\$ 115.00
6. Living Room Suite	\$ 115.00
7. Wicker Floor Lamp	\$ 75.00
8. Diamond Ring	\$ 65.00
9. Wardrobe Trunk	\$ 47.50
10. Men's Suit	\$ 40.00
11. Ladies' Suit or Dress	\$ 40.00
12. Breakfast Set	\$ 28.00
13. Ladies' Wrist Watch	\$ 20.00
14. Electric Table Lamp	\$ 17.00
15. Manicuring Set	\$ 15.00
Special Fund set aside to pay cash commissions	\$2,054.50
Total	\$5,000.00



THIRD GRAND PRIZE—Purchased of and on display at Morgan County Motor Company

During this first extra vote period THOUSANDS and THOUSANDS of EXTRA VOTES will be given away by the Campaign Department to the more energetic candidates who care enough about winning to make the effort. Every \$15 you turn in you get 150,000 Extra Votes, and you are entitled to as many as you can secure. "GO TO IT."

Some one gets them—why not you? You can win if you want to. All it takes is just a little work from now on. It is only a short time until November 17. Then the prizes will be awarded just as they have been advertised all along. They will be awarded to the people who have earned them through their efforts to get votes and subscriptions, for the Decatur Daily is one of the best daily newspapers in the Tennessee Valley. Remember, you have only this week of this important period. So make it snappy. This first extra vote period is the most important period of the entire campaign because of the largest amount of votes given and this is the period when the winners should be made. This is "do or die week." Come out this week and give the public something to talk about, so you can do it if you will only try. Only four more working days in this important first extra vote period. Ask yourself this one question, where do I stand? Then get out and get busy. Surely the prizes are worth it.

Saturday, the 13th, ends the first extra vote period. Get busy this week and show your friends and acquaintances who are watching your standing every day what you can do.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CAMPAIGN MANAGER, P. O. BOX 572, ALBANY

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In The Decatur Daily

AUTOMOBILE CONTEST

GOOD FOR 25 VOTES

If turned in to the Campaign Manager on or before October 15

Name

Address

Must be neatly trimmed and tied together—DO NOT ROLL

TENNESSEE VALLEY BANK

STATEMENT OF

ON CALL FROM STATE BANKING DEPARTMENT.

JUNE 30, 1923.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts \$3,476,203.28
Stocks and bonds 162,373.00
Overdrafts 3,131.68
Banking houses 90,500.00
Furniture and fixtures (16 sets) 36,750.00
Real estate 8,100.00
Other resources 16,324.28
Cash and due from banks 505,646.52

\$4,299,638.76

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock \$175,000.00
Surplus Fund 175,000.00
Undivided Profits 90,297.57
Deposits 3,859,341.21

\$4,299,638.76

LYON'S DINING ROOM

Special attention given to parties and banquets. Private dining rooms. On Sunday

Regular Lunch

from 11:30 A.M. till 2:00 P.M.

For SUPPER a la Carte Service

Gorilla Real Menace.
The gorilla is the only beast of the forest who will attack the lion and kill him if he intrudes upon his family.

Meet Me At the
Tokio Tea Room
AT 4 FOR
TEA



Flora Bedenia, Dainty Equestrienne coming to Decatur with Sparks Circus, Friday, October 19

Moulton News

The process of writing up abstracts of much used and newer Fords and occasionally other cars, along with the pedigree of the owners and those who to the owners, in order that the usual owner of a car is beginning to realize that he needs to begin the process of securing his license early in the month that there be no fines to pay after expiration of the last day of grace, and, must feel that so long as process as is now required ought to give protection to all the cars in the county from theft.

Miss Ruth Pointer, assistant of child welfare department, headquarters in Birmingham has been in Lawrence county for the past several days in the interests of several orphans and dependent children, one or more of whom has formerly been in the charge of the welfare department. The immediate cause of her visit was to look into the care of two little girls

whose mother has lived for several years out in the Forest Reservation and has no definite means of support either for herself or children these children she is taking with her to the boarding homes in Birmingham.

S. S. Osteen, local photographer, had a near-burn out at his gallery last week, he discovered that a curtain at one of the windows in his dark room was a blaze and other articles were beginning to burn, before the flames could be extinguished the wall paper on the wall and ceiling burned over an area of ten or fifteen feet, the fire originated from rays reflected from a small mirror near the window and which was struck by the hot afternoon sun; the mirror was so placed that the rays were brought to a focus on the fringe of the curtain

The Moulton Parent-Teachers Association met Friday afternoon in the auditorium of the Lawrence county high school building; considerable business was transacted and decision made to divide interests of the association with the county high school, to purchase new desks for the fifth and

sixth grade, and to arrange for serving of dinner for the benefit of the public school at the community fair to be held on the 27th at Moulton and make other arrangements for that occasion.

W. C. Parker, a leading citizen of Morris Chapel district was in town Friday accompanied by his wife, Mr. Parker is having to walk on crutches for a time due to a wagon crushing his foot.

Curtiss Terry now a travelling salesman, a few years ago a student in the county high school, was guest of friends and relatives in Moulton Sunday.

Paul White, now of Knoxville, formerly merchant and newspaper man of this place was here the last three or four days of the past week.

Principal and Mrs. W. T. Jordan went to Birmingham Friday afternoon and returned to Moulton Sunday

The high school football squad journeyed to Florence Friday and report

SURE IT DOES GOOD

Bedford's Black-Draught Liver Medicine (Vegetable) Praised by the Head of a Louisiana Family.

Lake Charles, La.—"I don't know what we would have done had we not had Black-Draught. It sure is one of the best medicines made, and am sure the best liver medicine," said Mr. Henry Garrett, of this city.

"My whole family uses it," continued Mr. Garrett. "My wife says she believes she kept off the 'flu' by taking doses of Black-Draught regularly."

"I, myself, use Black-Draught for indigestion, and it is fine."

"We used pills and tablets and other laxatives, but they never seemed to do us good, but the Black-Draught sure has, and it has come to our house to stay. We give it to our daughter for headache and torpid liver."

"I am glad to recommend anything that has been the help to my family that Black-Draught has."

"My present health is good. Have two boxes of Black-Draught in the house now."

If your liver gets out of fix, take Black-Draught. It will help to drive the bile poisons and other unhealthy matters out of your system.

Sold everywhere. NC-148

the Coffey high as the winners in the tray.

Many went out to Wren Sunday night to hear the Spears quartette from Double Springs, they report excellent music.

Floyd Free of Albany was in Moulton Sunday visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Ollie McLemore and a friend of Albany spent Sunday with her mother here.

Judge W. R. Jackson, B. M. Lufburrow and Jack McDowell of the Forestry Service, went to Double Springs in the interests of the proposed highway from that place across the Reservation to Hillsboro.

J. C. Irwin of Florence spent the week end with relatives in Moulton he is in school at the Florence Normal.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Holland while on a visit at Mount Hope Sunday were run down by a careless, and unknown car driver tearing off a buggy wheel and doing considerable damage to the buggy but nothing serious to the occupants.

Miss Lula Almon well beloved teacher for the past several years in Moulton public school, now of the Florence Theatre—Friday and Saturday



GLORIA SWANSON
IN THE PARAMOUNT PICTURE
"PRODIGAL DAUGHTERS"

ence system was with relatives for the week end in Moulton.

Miss Bettie Irwin of Decatur attended Muscle Shoals Baptist Association at Salem near Moulton last week.



Women
to attract must
Radiate Health!

BEAUTY is the magnet which draws all eyes—and back of beauty—Health—working silently—Red blood tingling through the veins;—the glow of youth in the cheeks;—the spring of eagerness, of vim, of vitality in the walk;—the ever graceful air, unrestrained by care or worry.—All the charms of beauty. All the works of health.

Men are fascinated by the charms of beauty. Women gaze with envy, secretly jealous, perhaps—wondering—hoping—praying for that attractiveness that is not theirs. But why the wondering—the hoping—the praying for that craved-for attractiveness—that beauty. Good looks is the barometer of one's condition. Good health radiates beauty. S. S. S. purifies the blood—creates new red blood cells—rids the system of impurities which make beauty and attractiveness impossible. As women to attract must radiate health so must they keep their systems free from impurities and their red blood cells ever increasing. S. S. S. does both.

S. S. S. since 1826, has been ridding the system of impurities—pimples, blackheads, boils, eczema and rheumatism—building red blood cells—aiding women to be attractive by radiating health. S. S. S. is made of carefully selected herbs and barks, scientifically prepared and proportioned. All good drug stores carry S. S. S. It is more economical to purchase the large size bottle.

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Better Homes

Your Home

Reflects exactly what you are. To the realm of your own domain you bring those things that mean most to you. Little by little it assumes marked expressions of your personality—it becomes unmistakably YOURS.

Your pride in it increases as you add to the beauty and comfort of your home. The yearning for things beautiful is universal. For that reason it is important that your home be adorned with furnishings that answer the fine demands of your nature, contribute to the unvarying charm of your surroundings and definitely establish an attraction that holds the family together and brings eager friends to your hearth. There is no longer legitimate apology for commonplace or unattractive homes. Never before have displays been more beautiful or suites more wonderful. They have never before been so within the reach of those of moderate means.

In harmony with the spirit of the National Better Homes Week, we extend a cordial invitation to you to come and judge for yourself what a decided difference a small investment will mean to your home.

We want you to feel free to visit our floors and view our most attractive displays.

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Each Freight Car Goes 6 Miles Further

1919	ONE
1920	ONE
1921	ONE
1922	ONE
1923	ONE

This Means
Prompter and
Better Freight
Service to You

The chart shows one feature of the improvement the railroads have made in their freight service. The average number of miles traveled by each freight car in the first four months of this year has exceeded all previous records and is almost 20% greater than in a corresponding period of any of the years immediately preceding. As there were not many new cars added to the service because of old ones being retired, the increase of almost 20% was really equivalent to something like 425,000 over the number of cars in the service. This was due to the speeding-up of the cars—thus, in a measure, wiping out the car shortage.

The movement of freight has been so heavy during the early part of 1923 that the supply of cars would have been inadequate if cars had not moved faster and further.

The Railroads Are Improving Their Freight Service All The Time

The condition of cars and locomotives is now better than it has been for years. The railroads are spending a billion dollars this year for equipment and improving their terminals, trackage, etc. The railroads can continue to do this only as long as they are allowed to earn freight rates, as well as passenger rates, commensurate with the cost of service. No railroad in the United States is paying any unusually large dividend; as large portions of the earnings of those railroads which are showing a profit go back into the improvement of the property; and improved property means better service to the people of this country.

